

REMARKS

By the foregoing amendment, Claims 24-29 have been cancelled. Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

An election was required among the following species:

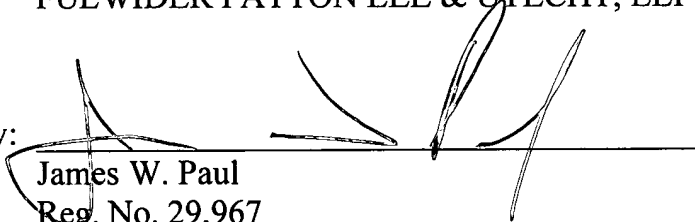
Species A: Figs. 3a,b; and Species B: Figs. 4a,b.

Applicant elects Species A, directed to Figs. 3a,b. It is believed that Claims 20-23 are readable upon the elected Species A.

In light of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and an early favorable action in this regard is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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